



## Welcome to Tamworth Baptist Church

If this is your first visit here we offer you a very warm welcome.  
Please make yourself known to us, and join us for a cuppa  
and a chat after the service.

Also please do pick up a leaflet that gives more details of all our  
activities and contact details etc.

## Sunday 3rd December

- 11am **morning worship** led by Rachel Sage & Graham at Belgrave  
Reading: 1 John 4: 7-16
- 6.15pm **evening communion** led by Graham at Belgrave  
Reading: John 1:1-14

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Hearing loop systems are installed at both our buildings. Please switch hearing aids to 'T' position and let someone know if you have any problems.

## **For your diary (and for your prayers please):**

**Mon 4 7:30pm **prayer meeting** at Dosthill**

Graham's day off is **Thursday 7th**

**Sat 9 **night shelter****

**Sun 10 11am **parade and nativity** led by Graham at Belgrave**

**6:15pm **evening worship** led by Graham at Belgrave**

**Mon 11 7:30pm **prayer meeting** at Dosthill**

Graham's day off is **Tuesday 12th**

**Thur 14 12 noon **Christmas lunch** - If you would like to come, and even better, to bring a friend, please sign up on the sheet on the noticeboard to get tickets.**

**Sat 16 **night shelter****

**Sun 17 11am **morning service with communion** led by David Grainger at Belgrave**

**6:15pm **carol service** led by Graham at Belgrave**

### **Other Christmas services:**

**Sunday 24th: 11am morning service**

**11:30pm midnight communion**

**Monday 25th: 10am family celebration**

**Sunday 31st: 11am morning service**

**The Lighthouse** today at 4pm to 5pm followed by a buffet tea. This is run by the Elim church (on Bamford St in Glascote) and is a monthly Christian service for people with special educational needs. This is in partnership with Prospects, a Christian organisation specialising in reaching those with special educational needs. To find out more, please contact Linda Reynolds on [linda.reynolds9@icloud.com](mailto:linda.reynolds9@icloud.com)

For our regular weekly events, and our special events,  
please see our website: [tamworthbaptists.org.uk](http://tamworthbaptists.org.uk)

## **Questions to help you think about today's teaching - to discuss in housegroups, or use at home:**

### The Father sending His Son (1 John 4:7-16)

1. How does the fact that God sent his Son into the world for us strike you?
2. 1 John 4:9, 10 & 14 gives three reasons why God sent his Son. How would you summarise these? How do you respond to them?
3. How are we going to respond to that love, what difference is it going to make in our lives?

### God the Son taking human form (John 1:1-14)

4. We know that when God's Son became one of us he wasn't welcomed but rejected (John 1:10-11). Why do you think that was, why do you think the same thing happens today?
5. What do you think of the idea of Jesus being one person with two natures? How do you understand this?
6. The Word became flesh and dwelt among us (John 1:14). In what ways are you hoping to meet with Jesus this Advent and Christmas-time?

Paul Willetts wants to pass on his thanks to those who sent him birthday cards. They were really appreciated.

**TCC Carols** - an open air carol service with a difference on Saturday 16th December from 2-3pm by the town hall in Tamworth town centre, with live band. Come and be part of this inter-church event and witness. Wrap up warm!

**Carol Singing** - we have two opportunities to sing carols to the public - on Monday December 18th outside Asda at Ventura Park from 6-7pm and outside the SnowDome on Wednesday December 20th from 6-7pm (free hot chocolate provided!). Please join us at one or both of these evenings.

## **Peel Parishes Administrator**

Their administrator, Carol, is retiring at the end of January after over 21 years in the role.

They are now advertising this position: <https://www.lichfield.anglican.org/vacancies/parish-administrator-peel-parishes/>

The application deadline is Dec 22nd.

## **Following on from the AGM:**

One of the questions raised at the AGM was about what is involved in being a church treasurer. The best place to get an overview is a Baptist Union document about charity trustees with pages 13-15 specifically talking about the treasurer. To access it do an Internet search for "baptists together leaflet c15". If you don't have access to the Internet and would like a copy please speak to Graham.

At the AGM, Graham presented some views about how we could move forward as a church and a two page document is available summarising this. Please take it, think about the questions it raises, and pray for God's clear guidance and direction.

Our vision is that we will be a church of “whole-life disciples” who treasure every moment as an opportunity to live as fully-committed followers of Jesus Christ.

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### **Christians Against Poverty**

is a national debt counselling charity with a network of 306 centres based in local churches. CAP offers hope and a solution to anyone in debt through its unique, in-depth, free and confidential service.

The Tamworth Centre is based at our Belgrave building, Joy Dean is the centre manager, please speak to her for more information.

<http://www.capuk.org/>

**Notices:** If you have any items for next week's notice sheet please send them to **Jo Criddle**, by 7pm on Thursday  
email: jo.criddle61@gmail.com or phone 01827 280471